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Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention					
1.		In response to the invitation to restrict or pay additional fees the applicant has, within the applicable time limit: restricted the claims paid additional fees paid additional fees under protest and, where applicable, the protest fee			
		paid additional fees under protest but the applicable protest fee was not paid neither restricted nor paid additional fees.			
2.	\boxtimes	This Authority found that the requirement of unity of invention is not complied with and chose, according to Rule 68.1, not to invite the applicant to restrict or pay additional fees.			
3.	This	Authority considers that the requirement of unity of invention in accordance with Rules 13.1, 13.2 and 13.3 is : complied with.			
	\boxtimes	not complied with for the following reasons: Group I. Claims 1-5 relate to a pharmaceutical composition for preventing and treating cancer			
		comprising a Cinnamoni Cortex extract including a compound of formula 1 and a Zizyphi Fructus extract including a compound of formula 2.			
		Group II. Claim 6 relates to functional food for preventing and treating cancer comprising the said active ingredients.			
		Although both Group I and II are relevant to the composition comprising the same active ingredients, there is no technical relationship between a pharmaceutical composition and functional food.			
4.		equently, this report has been established in respect of the following parts of the international application: all parts. the parts relating to claims Nos.			

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

Citations and explanations supporting such statement.				
1.	Statement			
	Novelty (N)	Claims	.1 - 6	YES
		Claims		N0
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1 - 6	YES
		Claims		N0
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1 - 6	YES
	••	Claims		No
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2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

The following documents are referred to in this report:

- D1: Planta Med. Vol.65(3), pp.263-266 (1999 Apr.)
- D2: Biochem. Pharmacol. Vol.65(8), pp.1343-1350 (2003 Apr.)
- D3: Cancer Res. Vol.48(4), pp.938-942 (1988 Feb.)
- D4: Head Neck. Vol.25(9), pp.732-740 (2003 Sep)
- D5: J. Invest. Dermatol. Vol.114(5), pp.935-940 (2000 May)

1. Novelty and Inventive Step

Claims 1-5 of the present invention relate to a pharmaceutical composition for preventing and treating cancer comprising a Cinnamoni Cortex extract including a compound of formula 1(2'-hydroxycinnamaldehyde) and a Zizyphi Fructus extract including a compound of formula 2(betulinic acid). Claim 6 of the present invention relates to functional food for preventing and treating cancer comprising the said active ingredients.

D1 discloses that 2'-hydroxycinnamaldehyde strongly inhibits in vitro growth of 29 kinds of human cancer cells and in vivo growth of SW-620 human tumor xenograft without the loss of body weight in nude mice.

D2 discloses that CB403 is synthesized from 2'-hydroxycinnamaldehyde and CB403 inhibits tumor growth in a concentration-dependent manner.

D3 discloses synergistic cell inactivation of human NHIK 3025 cells by cinnamaldehyde in combination with cis-diamminedichloroplatinum(II).

D4 discloses that betulinic acid is a new cytotoxic compound against malignant head and neck cancer cells.

D5 discloses that betulinic acid suppresses the growth and colony-forming ability of all human melanoma cell lines investigated and the effect of betulinic acid on growth inhibition in combination with ionizing radiation was additive in colony-forming assays.

Each of 2'-hydroxycinnamaldehyde and betulinic acid is disclosed to have anticancer activity when used alone in D1-D5. However, none of D1-D5 discloses a composition comprising the two active ingredients mentioned in claims 1-6 of the present invention.

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Box V.

Furthermore, there is no implication or suggestion to lead those who skilled in the art to expect that the combination of the said active ingredients has a synergistic effect in inhibiting the growth of cancer cells in D1-D5.

Therefore, the novelty and inventive step of the claims 1-6 in the present invention can be acknowledged over D1-D5 [Article 33(2) and 33(3) PCT].

2. Industrial Applicability

The subject-matter of claims 1-6 appears to be industrially applicable [Article 33(4) PCT].